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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. COLLINS).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
May 14, 2003.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MAC COLLINS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Reverend Dr. George S. Dillard III, Pastor, Peachtree City Christian Church, Peachtree City, GA, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, Creator of all that is, who holds all things together by the power of Your Son, Jesus, and have offered to us, through Him, liberty and freedom, through His mercy and grace. With great humility now we bow, seeking wisdom and courage, compassion, justice, and truth to guide this Nation and its leadership today. We acknowledge Your sovereignty, and we give thanks for the blessings that we enjoy.

For those serving this House today, we ask for strength and courage to see the truth and to live by it. Give them wisdom and give us wisdom to acknowledge our error and our sin. Help us, Father, to open our ears that we might hear Your call to revival in our land. Send us leaders who will seek Your truth, those who accept that a lie is a lie and not spin; that it is immorality and not an alternative lifestyle; that it is murder, not a procedure; that it is stealing and not creative accounting; that rebellion is rebellion no matter what name we give it.

Father forgive us, watch over us, give us wisdom above all. Bless the men and

women of this House. We honor You, praise You, give thanks to You through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Texas (Mr. BURGESS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. BURGESS led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### WELCOMING THE REVEREND DR. GEORGE DILLARD

(Mr. KINGSTON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. KINGSTON. Mr. Speaker, the pastor today, the Reverend George Dillard, is no stranger to the House of Representatives. We have had the pleasure of having him open our sessions many times before. He is always very direct with his prayer because he is very comfortable with his Maker.

I first met him many years ago when he actually was living in what was my district and now is the district of the gentleman from the 12th district (Mr. BURNS), in Rincon, Georgia. He preached there for about 8½ years, and then I guess as I was his representative, he gave up on me and moved on to the district of the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. COLLINS) where he really found a frustrating ministry.

He lives in Peachtree City, Georgia. It is a very wonderful place. I guess having preached a little bit to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. BURNS) and to me and to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. COLLINS), he figured he could take on the whole House. He has done a great job with that.

George's wife Renee and he have three kids: Tiffany, 12; Alexis, 9; and a new addition, George Stewart Dillard IV, who is now 3 months old.

George grew up in Atlanta. He played basketball for Atlantic Christian College. He attended Emanuel School of Religion in Johnson City, Tennessee, and got a master's and a doctorate degree from Evangelical Theological Seminary. He has been preaching full time since 1980.

I ask my colleagues to join me in welcoming the Reverend George Dillard.

### TIME TO DEAL WITH NORTH KOREA

(Mr. PITTS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PITTS. Mr. Speaker, the dictatorship Government of North Korea is a menace to world peace. It continues to produce nuclear material, violating its agreements. They want to use these weapons to blackmail us for more assistance. And in reports this week, it looks like this rogue regime is using the international drug trade to fund its terrible activities. We cannot negotiate with a regime like this.

In 1985, North Korea signed the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty. Eighteen months later it stalled in implementing the treaty, demanding that we remove nuclear weapons from South Korea. As we negotiated, they made nuclear weapons. In 1991, we withdrew our weapons from South Korea. In 1996, President Clinton tried to bargain

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